



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

Our mission is to know Christ, serve Him,
and make Him known.

~ Gathering before the Word ~**Prelude***My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

arrg. Berry

Welcome & Service of Friendship

Pastor Darryl Evans

***Call to Worship**

Sing to God a new song,
for God has done marvelous things.

**All the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

Break forth into joyful song and sing praises!

God judges the world with righteousness.

Let the earth resound with the praise of God!

Hymn of Praise No. 575 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

***Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

Patient and loving God,

in our sin we get it all wrong.

We see your commandments as burdens, not gifts.

We look at the needy and fail to see Christ's face.

We work frantically to earn your favor

instead of being still and enjoying your love.

We set our hearts on the wrong goals

and our feet on the wrong paths.

Even our best deeds we do for ourselves more than for you.

Forgive us, gracious and loving God.

Cleanse our hearts of all sin,

and let the Spirit of Jesus Christ renew us.

So may we grow in the gracious knowledge

of your love made clear in Christ our Lord.

(Please continue in a moment of silent, personal confession.)

Leader:

Believe the Good News of the Gospel:

People:

In Jesus Christ we are all forgiven!

***Song of Response**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

***Hymn of Preparation No. 615**

THOMPSON

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

Word with our Children

Malaina Meeks

(Four year olds through 2nd graders may now be excused to Children's Church. An adult will now escort the children to the Children's Church Classroom, which is on the 3rd floor of the education building, where they will be picked up by a parent after the service.)

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:17-24

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Learn the King

Darryl Evans

"But that is not the way you learned Christ!"

- Ephesians 4:20

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

***Affirmation of Faith**

John 5:36b-40

For the works that the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father has sent me. And the Father who sent me has himself borne witness about me. His voice you have never heard, his form you have never seen, and you do not have his word abiding in you, for you do not believe the one whom he has sent. You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, yet you are refusing to come to me that you may have life.

Offering & Offertory

There Is a Fountain

Mason

Tana Nichols, oboe

Kay Yates, piano

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Commitment No. 870

SOLID ROCK

Ahead of Us, a Race to Run

*Benediction

Postlude

Joyful, Joyful

Beethoven

*All who are able please stand.

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To Our Guests

Welcome! We are delighted that you are worshipping with us this morning. We hope you find today meaningful and refreshing. If you have a prayer request, please see Darryl or call us at 704-938-4623.

Children's Activity Bags are available for children age 3 to Grade 5. They include a children's bulletin related to the Sunday sermon, crayons, and scrap paper. An usher would be happy to bring you one.

Children's Church is available for children, 4 years to 2nd Grade. After the "A Word with Our Children," they will be escorted to the Children's Church. After worship, parents may pick up children in the Children's Church Classroom, which is on the 3rd floor of the education building.

Upcoming

Today, our **adult "Call to Action" Sunday School** will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM following our continental breakfast at 9:30 AM. Both men and women are invited to join together for Summer Sunday School. Please invite a friend or neighbor to join us. Upcoming speakers are August 12: Adam Stricker, SonServants and other missions; August 19: Habitat for Humanity; August 26: Holly Teeter with Sole Hope. If you are not a regular participant in Sunday School, this is a wonderful time to strengthen your Faith and support our missions. Please come and bring your children for their regular classes upstairs! Mrs. Tracy has wonderful plans for the summer for them.

A note of thanks: Thank you so much for allowing me to share some of what's happening in our community and at CCM. I express my appreciation to everyone for their partnership in ministry. *Ed Hosack*. During 2017, CCM's 9 food pantries in Cabarrus County and Kannapolis served 10,706 households with over 881,542 pounds of food. In addition, their 9 Mobile Food Pantries reached an additional 1,427 households with over 60,000 pounds of food. FPC donated 76 pounds of food on July 29th when Ed was here.

We have all the supplies we need for the pillowcase dresses, but if you would like to help make the dresses, contact Kay McAllister at (704) 723-1158. If anyone is interested in having a **workshop to make the dresses,** please let Kay know or sign up on the sheet located in the fellowship hall. You do not need to know how to sew. You can cut, measure, pin or press. We may also be making hair bows too!

There will be a mission trip to Mexico from October 20-27. The Deadline to commit is August 19. If you are interested in going on this mission trip to Mexico, please see Steve Goodnight or call the church office by August 19. Also, **Sunday, August 26 has been designated as Missions Sunday,** when a special offering will be collected during worship for our upcoming Mexico Missions trip.

We will be holding our **annual yard sale** to raise money for the Mission Committee. The date is September 15, 8am-1pm. We will also sell sausage biscuits and hot dogs. The room next to the choir room is available now for donations.

The Missions Team continues collections for our **400 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes!** For the month of August, the focus will be school supplies. We need packs of 24-count crayons, packs of markers and colored pencils, pencils and pens, erasers, pencil sharpeners, glue sticks and scissors. Collection bins are in the Narthex and outside the Fellowship Hall. Of course, we will still gladly accept donations of hygiene items (bar soap, wash cloths, wet wipes, lip balm, brushes & combs). Facial tissue and toothbrushes are fulfilled. Thanks as always for your support!

The Missions Team is seeking our talented church members to donate their goods, time or services for a **Missions Auction!** If you make specialty items, can cook a meal, offer babysitting, clean someone's house, do landscaping, teach a skill, or offer other services that you think we can auction off, please fill out your proposal and place in the offering plate. Auction time is to be determined. Proceeds will support our Missions Fund.

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Auction Item(s): _____

The Missions Team has planned a week for First Presbyterian to staff the **Salvation Army Hope Night Shelter** Sept. 23 - 29. Volunteers are needed each night by 7pm to provide dinner for approximately 30 people, serve, and clean up. 2 gallons of milk and cereal will also be needed for the following morning's breakfast. Deadline to volunteer is August 31. Please return the following form to the Church Office by August 31 if you would like to help:

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

We hope everyone in the **“Bad Girls” Thursday Morning Bible Study** has had a restful and relaxed summer, but now its time again to learn more what God has to teach us. We will kick off on September 5th with a tea. Everyone, please bring a small platter of goodies and your favorite tea



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The Session

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Gip Rumble

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David Hamilton
Director of Music

Tracy and Adam Caskey
Youth Directors

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Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates
Organist

Irene Davis
Nursery Director

cup. We will be studying “Anxious about Nothing” by Max Lucado. Books will be handed out then. The price of the book is \$14.00. Please make checks payable to Frank Gibson. We welcome anyone new who would like to join us. Please contact Kay McAllister at (704) 723-1158. Deadline for ordering books is August 25th.

Saltshakers Ladies Bible Study of First Presbyterian Church opens its registration beginning August 5 and runs through September 10, 2018. The Bible study will begin on September 17, 2018 and end on April 15, 2019 (with scheduled breaks). A calendar and notebook will be provided at the first Monday evening meeting. The study will meet on Monday evenings from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the church. Sarah Knott is the lecturer. The title of this year's study is “KNOW WHAT YOU BELIEVE AND WHY” based on the book of Romans. Registration forms can be found in the narthex and various places around the church. Please place your form in the offering plate, place in the church office, or give to Judy Goodnight. This is a life-changing study that you won't want to miss. Invite a friend and join us on Monday evenings beginning in September.

Love Bags and Boxes filled with nonperishable food items and other necessities are available for anyone to take and share with someone who is in need. These bags and boxes can be found in the church office, fellowship hall, and narthex closets.

If you would like to contribute flowers for worship, please see the sign-up poster on the bulletin board just outside the church office. The cost for an arrangement is \$56. Or, if you would like to purchase something permanent that can be rotated during the weeks we don't have a live arrangement, please contact Jill McLain.

Prayer Concerns

New Prayer requests will be placed in the bulletin for two weeks.
Please help us keep **Prayer Concerns** current with weekly updates.

MEMBERS

Sheila Grey - on the death of her aunt last week.
Carla Efird - hip replacement surgery.
Iris Efird - Health concerns.
Donna Whitley - health issues including hernia.
Mike Williams - back at Brian Center.
Juanita Holt - at Five Oaks.
Loretta Young - back at Five Oaks.
Barbara Wise - health concerns.
Jennifer Williams - at home recovering.
Mary Johns - recovering from procedure.
Peggy Barnhardt - at Morningside with Dementia.
Lynn Efird - finished with chemo.
Ellen Little - continued prayers for the health issues of Ellen and family.
Connie Rary - still fighting cancer, went to Duke specialist.
Debby Baker - participating in a cancer clinical trial.
Emily Griggs - teacher in Morocco.

FAMILY OF MEMBERS

Lamar Coward - brother of Sheila Grey, terminal lung disease.
Chuck Rogers - friend of Judy Hammond, suffered stroke following surgery.
Shelia & Steve Hobson - friends of Judy Hammond, Steve has medical issues.
Bruce Davis - father of Judy Goodnight, battling lung cancer.
Russell Gardner - friend of Mike Freeman, cancer and recurring pneumonia.
Ernest Miller - friend of Mike Freeman, lung cancer and PTSD (Viet Nam Vet)
Chris & Gabby Goodnight - son of Connie Rary, for a healthy pregnancy.
Jay McKinney - son-in-law of Jim Johnston, a captain in Afghanistan.
Landra Goodnight Staab – daughter of Steve & Judy Goodnight: Receiving treatment for Leukemia and is involved in a clinical study.
Lori Holder - daughter of Sam McAllister: Suffering with MS.
Mark McDaniel - brother of Mal McDaniel, completed radiation and tumor is gone! Undergoing PT and OT to regain strength.
Arthur Fu - brother of Jessica Bell: Fighting cancer.
Teresa Alexander - friend of Renee Goodnight: Diagnosed with brain tumors.
Dave Viscount - friend of Mark Goodnight: Suffering with ALS.
Hope Community - church plant in Wilmington, NC with Nate Stratman.

Prayer request? Please write it down on the blue pew prayer card, & place in the offering plate.

Special Church Member of the Week

Iris Efird
407 Iris Ave
Kannapolis, NC 28083-3940

Iris' birthday is August 16

Send a card, make a visit or a call, or offer a prayer. All to say "God loves you and the church cares about you."

Servants

Greeters: Garrett Brady & Phil McLain

Elder Lock-Up: Phil McLain

Videographer: Michael Martens

Children's Message: Malaina Meeks

Children's Message Next Week: Adam Caskey

Children's Church Leader: Alpha Barger

Children's Church Leader next week: Erin Burris

Acolytes: Luke Burris & Abigail Malinovsky

Acolytes Next Week: Amelia & Toby Caskey

Ushers: William Baker, Amy Hurst, John Roberson & Bill Stricker

Ushers next week: Andrew & Jenna Baker, Jason & Erin Burris

This Week

TODAY

9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
Good News Class

10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**

11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**

MONDAY

8:00 p.m. - **Alcoholics Anonymous**

TUESDAY

12:00 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous**

THURSDAY

12:00 p.m. - **NA**

6:30 p.m. - **Boy Scouts**

8:00 p.m. - **AA**

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
Walter Goodman Class

10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**

11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**



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